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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed April 22, 2004, said period of response being extended from July 22, 2004 to August 22, 2004.

Please charge our Deposit Account No. in the amount of \$55.00 to cover the required extension fee for a small entity.

Respectfully submitted,  
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